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## **Toyota Donates Land for Construction of a Future City Fire Station**

Georgetown, KY (Sept. 16, 2022) - The Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky Inc (TMMK) in Georgetown, KY has recently donated seven acres of land to Georgetown-Scott County. This land was a gift from TMMK and will be the site of a new facility for Georgetown-Scott County Emergency Medical Services (GSCEMS). The donated site will be used to construct a future city fire station along with a state of the art training center for emergency medical technician (EMT) and paramedic training.

Georgetown Mayor Tom Prather said he is excited by the increased safety and emergency resources the new facility will provide to citizens.

"We are delighted by the gift to our local community of this important piece of land by TMMK! It's perfectly located for our growing community's public safety needs. Georgetown and Scott County will jointly fund a new Georgetown-Scott County Ambulance Service headquarters and training facility on this site, improving public safety and reducing run times for all citizens. Later, the city will also add facilities, manpower and equipment for the operational needs of the Georgetown Fire Department. This is great news for public safety! Thank you, TMMK."

The construction and function of the facility will be funded by Georgetown and Scott County. The station will create and service a new district in the county which will significantly reduce response times for emergency services to reach distress signals faster.

GSCEMS Director, Chris Runyon, said he and his team are ready to serve Georgetown-Scott County in even better ways thanks to the new facility.

"We are so grateful to Toyota for giving us this opportunity to improve our service to Scott County. This station will decrease response times to many of our residents, in some instances by up to fifteen minutes! It will also include a state of the art training center that will be used to deliver EMT and paramedic training to our community. We couldn't do what we do, as well as we do it, without our amazing community partners. A huge thank you to our fiscal court, Judge Covington, and Toyota for making this new facility a reality! It is truly an honor to work and serve Georgetown-Scott County."

Scott County Fiscal Court Judge Executive, Joe Pat Covington, said he is grateful to Toyota for their continued support of the growing community.

"We are very grateful to Toyota and their donation of the site for the new GSCEMS Station and a future City Fire Station. Toyota's commitment to our community will help make a significant impact on emergency response times across the county. The location provides better access to the growth in housing on the eastern side of the county and Interstate 75."

Corporate Communications Manager at Toyota, Kim Ogle, said TMMK is happy to give back to the community for the construction of the EMS facility.

"Toyota Kentucky is proud to offer seven acres of property to Scott County to support the new EMS facility. We maintain a commitment to public safety and greatly appreciate the important work our Georgetown and Scott County partners continuously do to better serve our community."

For more information on Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky Inc., visit toyotageorgetown.com

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